

April 26, 2021 Covid Narrative

Town Administrator Jim Boudreau said the town is trending in the right direction with 20 new Covid cases over the past week; that is down from 35 the previous week. The town's positivity rate is 3.04 percent over the last 14 days. Scituate is still in the "yellow" on the state positivity map. Marshfield and Cohasset have moved into "green" category and Scituate hopes to join them soon.

Boudreau said the numbers might tick up over the next week due to school vacation and out-of-state traveling.

Anyone age 16 and older is now eligible to be vaccinated for Covid. The only caveat is that those ages 16 and 17, must get the Pfizer vaccine. The Moderna vaccine has not been approved for those under 18.

To register at a mass vaccination site, visit: vaccinesignup.mass.gov.

Also check out CVS for availability. If you can book at CVS or other location, and have already signed up for a mass vaccination site, just decline that appointment when notified.

Seniors having a hard time getting an appointment, can call the state help line at 2-1-1 or the Scituate Senior Center at 781-545-8722.

Homebound residents can call 844-771-1628 to register to be vaccinated at home.

Check scituatema.gov for the unpaid internship program that is open to all ages. The town has several projects that could use an intern.

Ship Shape Day is Saturday, May 1. Supplies can be picked up from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. The town hopes for a great turnout. Check shipshapeday.org for details.

Widows Walk is open for great golf. The town is still working on getting a food truck since the clubhouse is closed for renovations.

Reconstruction of the Peggotty Beach parking lot is underway. The parking lot will be closed until the end of April.

The Cole Parkway Marina project is winding up. Cedar Point is still an active construction site.

Water main flushing has wrapped up apart from the Seaside project off Hatherly road and a few roads near the Jenkins School.

The 2-inch water main replacement project will start next week. Affected residents have been notified.

The Select Board meets (Tuesday, April 27). Check out the agenda at scituatema.gov. The Economic Development Committee will be discussing ways to jumpstart the local economy with summer approaching.

The town reservoir is “plus 3” and spilling over. However, starting in May, water restrictions take effect. Watering is restricted between the hours of 5 a.m. and 9 p.m. In-ground irrigation systems are limited to one day a week, based on voting precinct.

Superintendent of Schools Bill Burkhead said there were nine new Covid cases over school vacation week (four at SHS, four at Wampanoag, and one at Cushing). These cases were tracked back to other members of the students’ families.

There has been a total of 207 Covid cases this school year. Families who travel are strongly advised to follow the state testing protocols upon their return home.

New guidance and advisories on Covid social distancing for students has been shared with families.

The state has extended free school meals for all Scituate Public School students through the next school year.

Check scituate.k12.org for all updates and the latest from the School Committee on news from the School Building Authority.